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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED **EXAMINATION**

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of the Final Office Action dated April 16, 2008 and request reconsideration and continued examination of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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